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## Via ECF, E-mail & Facsimile

The Honorable Alvin K. Hellerstein United States District Judge Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street New York, New York 10007 Fax: (212) 805-7942

Re: United States v. Cliver Alcalá Cordones, 11 Cr. 205 (AKH)

Dear Judge Hellerstein,

We submit this brief letter in response to the government's sentencing submission. The Court should disregard and strike all portions of the government's sentencing submission referencing and urging the Court to consider "relevant conduct," or evidence of General Alcalá's alleged involvement in narcotics trafficking.

First, General Alcalá pled guilty to charges related to his provision of support to the FARC while a member of the Venezuelan armed forces and *not* narcotics related offenses. And second, the Court already rejected the government's request for a *Fatico* hearing to attempt to prove narcotics related facts.

Accordingly, we respectfully ask the Court to disregard all portions of the government's sentencing submission referencing and urging the Court to consider "relevant conduct," or evidence of General Alcalá's alleged involvement in narcotics trafficking in imposing sentence. We thank the Court for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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